

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CIVIL MINUTES – GENERAL

Case No. 8:23-CV-02451-DOC-KES

Date: January 10, 2024

Title: DAVID NEAL WHITING ET AL. V. COUNTY OF ORANGE ET AL.

PRESENT:

THE HONORABLE DAVID O. CARTER, JUDGE

Karlen Dubon
Courtroom Clerk

Not Present
Court Reporter

ATTORNEYS PRESENT FOR
PLAINTIFF:
None Present

ATTORNEYS PRESENT FOR
DEFENDANT:
None Present

**PROCEEDINGS (IN CHAMBERS): ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY
CASE SHOULD NOT BE
CONSOLIDATED**

In light of the Notice of Related Cases (Dkt. 5), Plaintiff is **ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE** why this case should not be consolidated with the existing matter *Susan Ann Smith v. County of Orange et al*, 8:23-cv-02426-DOC-KES. The Notice indicated this case involves the same parties and is based on the same or similar claims. Moreover, both cases are wrongful death actions and “[t]he wrongful death statute has been interpreted to authorize only a single action, in which all the decedent’s heirs must join.” *Romero v. Pac. Gas & Elec. Co.*, 156 Cal. App. 4th 211, 216 (2007).

Plaintiff is **ORDERED** to submit by January 15, 2024 at 5 pm a response to this Order.

The Clerk shall serve this minute order on the parties.

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